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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

The above-referenced patent application is a divisional of SN 08/712,358, filed 11 September 1996.

In the specification:

At page 1, immediately above "Field of Invention", please insert -- This application is a divisional of pending prior application Serial Number 08/712,358, filed 11 September 1996, the disclosure of which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.--

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-15 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following claims:

17. A method according to claim 16, wherein said endothelial injury is caused by mechanical damage.

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18. A method according to claim 16, wherein said endothelial injury is caused by exposure to radiation.

19. A method according to claim 16, wherein said endothelial injury is caused by inflammation.